

**Listing of the Claims:**

For the sake of convenience, a current listing of claims in the above-identified application is provided below.

**Listing of Claims:**

1-7. (Canceled)

8. (Previously presented)      A method of selecting a web service comprising:

transmitting a search request for a service from a service requestor to a management site that searches for software services provided via a network;

obtaining by the search requestor a service search result from the management site including information for determining the quality of services from a provider site;

selecting by the service requestor at least one software service based on the obtained search result; and

transmitting a request to execute the selected service to the service provider.

9-20. (Canceled)

21. (Previously presented)      The method of claim 8, wherein the service provider and the management site are different sites.

22. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the information includes a number of times the software services have been used, a frequency of use corresponding to the software services; an execution time corresponding to the software services and a maintenance time corresponding to the software services.

23. (Previously presented) The method of claim 8, wherein the information includes a service history resulting from execution of the service.

24. (Previously presented) A network system that provides software services via a network, comprising:

at least two service providers for providing a software service; and

a management service comprising a control program for:

receiving a service request corresponding to the software service from a service requestor;

searching for the at least two service providers;

collecting quality of service (QoS) information corresponding to each of the at least two service providers; and

transmitting the QoS information to the service requestor to enable the service requestor to select among the at least two service providers.

25. (Previously presented) The network system according to claim 24, wherein the information comprises:

the number of times the software service has been used,  
frequency of use of the software service;  
execution time of the software service, and  
maintenance time for the software service.

26. (Previously presented) The network system of claim 24, wherein the information comprises a service history resulting from execution of the service.

27. (Previously presented) A computer program for selecting a web service comprising:

a computer-readable memory; and

logic, stored on the memory for execution on a processor, for:

transmitting a search request for a service from a service requestor to a  
management site that searches for software services provided via a  
network;

obtaining by the search requestor a service search result from the  
management site including information for determining the quality  
of services from a provider site;

selecting by the service requestor at least one software service based on  
the obtained search result; and  
transmitting a request to execute the selected service to the service  
provider.

28. (Previously presented) The computer program of claim 27, wherein the  
service provider and the management site are different sites.

29. (Previously presented) The computer program of claim 27, wherein the  
information includes a number of times the software services have been used, a frequency of use  
corresponding to the software services; an execution time corresponding to the software services  
and a maintenance time corresponding to the software services.

30. (Previously presented) The computer program of claim 27, wherein the  
information includes a service history resulting from execution of the service.